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Applicants: MAFFITT et al.

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Title: **RECOMBINANT PROTEOLYTIC TRYPTASES, ACTIVE SITE MUTANTS THEREOF, AND METHODS OF MAKING SAME**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)

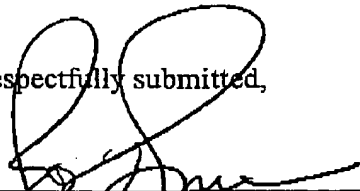
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To the Commissioner:

Applicants petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 24, 2005, for one month from June 24, 2005, to June 24, 2005. The granting of the requested extension of time will not extend the period for response beyond the six-month statutory limit.

A PTO-2038 for \$120 is enclosed to cover the petition fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-2055.

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